

15E.232 Economic development region revolving funds tax credits.

1. An economic development region may create an economic development region revolving fund.
 2. *a.* A nongovernmental entity making a contribution to an economic development region revolving fund, except those described in paragraph "b", may claim a tax credit equal to twenty percent of the amount contributed to the revolving fund. The tax credit shall be allowed against taxes imposed in chapter 422, divisions II, III, and V, and in chapter 432, and against the moneys and credits tax imposed in section 533.329. An individual may claim under this subsection the tax credit of a partnership, limited liability company, S corporation, estate, or trust electing to have income taxed directly to the individual. The amount claimed by the individual shall be based upon the pro rata share of the individual's earnings from the partnership, limited liability company, S corporation, estate, or trust. Any tax credit in excess of the taxpayer's liability for the tax year may be credited to the tax liability for the following ten years or until depleted, whichever occurs first. A tax credit shall not be carried back to a tax year prior to the tax year in which the taxpayer redeems the tax credit. A tax credit under this section is not transferable.
 - b.* Subject to the provisions of paragraph "c", an organization exempt from federal income tax pursuant to section 501(c) of the Internal Revenue Code making a contribution to an economic development region revolving fund, shall be paid from the general fund of the state an amount equal to twenty percent of such contributed amount within thirty days after the end of the fiscal year during which the contribution was made.
 - c.* The total amount of tax credits and payments to contributors, referred to as the credit amount, authorized during a fiscal year shall not exceed two million dollars plus any unused credit amount carried over from previous years. Any credit amount which remains unused for a fiscal year may be carried forward to the succeeding fiscal year. The maximum credit amount that may be authorized in a fiscal year for contributions made to a specific economic development region revolving fund is equal to two million dollars plus any unused credit amount carried over from previous years divided by the number of economic development region revolving funds existing in the state.
 - d.* The department of economic development shall administer the authorization of tax credits under this section and payments to contributors described in paragraph "b" and shall, in cooperation with the department of revenue, adopt rules pursuant to chapter 17A necessary for the administration of this section.
 3. An economic development region may apply for financial assistance from the grow Iowa values fund to assist with the installation of physical infrastructure needs including, but not limited to, horizontal infrastructure, water and sewer infrastructure, and telecommunications infrastructure, related to the development of fully served business and industrial sites by one or more of the region's economic development partners or for the installation of infrastructure related to a new business location or expansion. In order to receive financial assistance pursuant to this subsection, the economic development region must demonstrate all of the following:
 - a.* The ability to provide matching moneys on a basis of a one dollar contribution of local matching moneys for every two dollars received from the grow Iowa values fund.
 - b.* The commitment of the specific business partner including, but not limited to, a letter of intent defining a capital commitment or a percentage of equity.
 - c.* That all other funding alternatives have been exhausted.
 4. The department may establish and administer a regional economic development revenue sharing pilot project for one or more regions. The department shall take into consideration the geographical dispersion of the pilot projects. The department shall provide technical assistance to the regions participating in a pilot project.

5. An economic development region may apply for financial assistance from the grow Iowa values fund to assist an existing business threatened with closure due to a potential consolidation to an out-of-state location. The economic development region may apply for financial assistance from the grow Iowa values fund for the purchase, rehabilitation, or marketing of a building that has become available due to the closing of an existing business due to a consolidation to an out-of-state location. In order to receive financial assistance under this subsection, an economic development region must demonstrate the ability to provide local matching moneys on a basis of a one dollar contribution of local moneys for every three dollars received from the grow Iowa values fund.

6. An economic development region may apply for financial assistance from the grow Iowa values fund to establish and operate an entrepreneurial initiative. In order to receive financial assistance under this subsection, an economic development region must demonstrate the ability to provide local matching moneys on a basis of a one dollar contribution of local moneys for every two dollars received from the grow Iowa values fund.

7. *a.* An economic development region may apply for financial assistance from the grow Iowa values fund to establish and operate a business succession assistance program for the region.

b. In order to receive financial assistance under this subsection, an economic development region must demonstrate the ability to provide local matching moneys on a basis of a one dollar contribution of local moneys for every two dollars received from the grow Iowa values fund.

8. An economic development region may apply for financial assistance from the grow Iowa values fund to implement economic development initiatives that are either unique to the region or innovative in design and implementation. In order to receive financial assistance under this subsection, an economic development region must demonstrate the ability to provide local matching moneys on a one-to-one basis.

9. Financial assistance under subsections 3, 5, 6, 7, and 8, and section 15E.233 shall be limited to a total of one million dollars each fiscal year for the fiscal period beginning July 1, 2005, and ending June 30, 2015, and shall not be provided to assist in the establishment, operation, or installation of a project, initiative, or activity that may result in the provision, lease, or sale of goods or services by a government body that competes with private enterprise.

2005 Acts, ch 150, §10; 2007 Acts, ch 174, §88